

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: RETINITIS PIGMENTOSA: ADDITIONAL TREATMENT IN USSR FOR  
JAMES F. NEPPL (CONGRESSMAN RAILSBACK INTEREST)

REF: STATE 306229,

1. DR. MALYSHEV, MINISTRY OF HEALTH, INFORMED SCICOUNS DECEMBER 29  
THAT NEPPL HAS ARRIVED IN MOSCOW AND HAS BEEN ISSUED AUTHORIZATION  
FOR HOSPITALIZATION AT THE HELMHOLTZ INSTITUTE DURING THE COURSE OF  
HIS TREATMENT. TREATMENT IS EXPECTED TO START WITHIN TWO OR THREE  
DAYS.

2. MFA COULD OFFER NO SUGGESTIONS ON HOW TO SPEED ISSUANCE OF  
VISAS FOR SIMILAR CASES, HOWEVER THEY DID ADMIT THAT NOTIFICATION  
FROM THE HELMHOLTZ INSTITUTE OF TREATMENT AVAILABILITY WAS FORWARD  
BY MFA TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY ON NOVEMBER 15, AND COULD NOT EXPLAIN  
THE DELAY IN ISSUANCE OF THE VISA. SCICOUNS HAS OBTAINED A PROMISE  
FROM THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH THAT THEY WILL FORWARD TO THE U.S.  
EMBASSY IN MOSCOW COPIES OF TREATMENT AVAILABILITY LETTERS FROM THE  
HELMHOLTZ INSTITUTE. IF THE DEPARTMENT BELIEVES IT WILL HELP, THE  
EMBASSY COULD FORWARD THESE COPIES TO EUR/SOV TO ASSIST APPLICANTS  
WHO MAY EXPERIENCE DELAYS IN OBTAINING SOVIET VISAS. PLEASE  
ADVISE.

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